

Avoiding Run-Ons

Directions: Some of the following groups of words are run-on sentences. Identify each run-on and then correct it in the space provided. If an item is correct as it stands, write **C**.

1. Soccer probably began during the Middle Ages, teams of English villagers played the first soccer games.

2. The first international match was between England and Scotland this competition took place in 1872.

3. International competition grew quickly, and the Olympic Games made soccer a medal sport in 1908.

4. In the U.S. amateur soccer is popular many boys and girls love the game.

5. Almost 15 million young people participate in organized soccer about 40 percent of them are women players.

6. The equipment in many sports has changed a lot, soccer is no exception.

7. In the 1800s, for example, soccer shoes reached above the ankle, steel and chrome toecaps protected a player's feet.

8. Soccer shoes today may weigh less than eight ounces, they have studs of different materials to suit different field conditions.

9. Many soccer balls today are made from synthetic materials, but professional teams use balls made of leather.

10. Leather soccer balls have good air resistance they don't wobble in flight.
